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To Our Dearest Aunt

*If someone was put on earth
for a purpose you were indeed,*

*Supplying us comfort
and all our needs.*

*The Lord snatched you from us
because he knew what was best,*

*He knew you were tired, and
it was time for you to rest.*

*We will constantly think of you,
your voice still lingers in our mind today,*

*"Artie do well in school, Arnetta
take care of my Fe-Fe is what you would say."*

*We love you Betty
and will always miss you.*

*Forever,
Artie and Arnetta*

— *Pallbearers* —

Edison Austin
Edward Wiley
Ralph Williams

Johnnie Montgomery
Melvin Blount
Kenneth Avery

— *Flowerbearers* —

Members of Church

— *Arrangements* —

THOMAS T. EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME, INC.
995 Genesee Street
Buffalo, New York 14211

New Rosen Printing

In Loving Memory
of

Betty Jackson

1932

1992



Saturday, December 5, 1992
11:00 a.m.

Fillmore Avenue Baptist Church
821 Fillmore Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14211

Rev. Wilbert L. Martin, Pastor

— *Obituary* —

Betty Jackson was born on March 2, 1932, to the late Hillard Wilkes and Mary Springs in Chester, South Carolina. She departed this life suddenly, December 1, 1992.

Betty received her education and was a member of Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in Chester, South Carolina.

She was united in holy matrimony to Sylvester Jackson. One son was born to this union, James Cleveland.

In 1955, she moved to Buffalo and recently joined Fillmore Baptist Church and remained faithful there until her untimely death.

Betty will be deeply missed by all that loved and knew her throughout the years. Her parents, son and eldest brother Fred, all preceded her in death.

She leaves to mourn: husband, Sylvester; two brothers: Mr. Willie (Elouise) Springs of Zachary, LA, and Mr. Arthur (Maggie) Springs of Buffalo, NY; one sister, Mary Lou Wylie of Chester, SC; one daughter-in-law, Dorothy Jackson of Chester, SC; a special granddaughter, Jamille; two aunts: Asalee Springs and Alberta Newberry; several grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and a host of relatives and friends.

— *Order of Service* —

Processional

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Obituary and Acknowledgements

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

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— *Acknowledgements* —

The family of Betty Jackson wish to thank everyone for your condolences, kindness and prayers during this time of sorrow.

— *Interment* —

FOREST LAWN CEMETERY

PALL BEARERS
Family Members and Friends



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
With sincere appreciation and gratitude to everyone for
the many kindnesses shown to us during this bereavement.
God bless you all.

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF



J. C. Jackson

1923 1985

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1985
1:00 P.M.

Community Baptist Church
55 Cherry St.
Buffalo, New York

Rev. Frank Barbee, Pastor



OBITUARY

J. C. Jackson was born in Paducah, Ky. in 1923 to the late Johnnie and Gertrude Jackson. At an early age he moved to Buffalo, New York and worked at Chevrolet River Road Plant until retirement.

Father of 4 children, one brother and sister in law. United in holy matrimony to Mattiel Hall Jackson.

He leaves to mourn his passing a devoted wife, Mattiel, one brother, James, a sister-in-law, Goldene, and 4 children. Also a host of relatives and friends.

"But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angles of heaven, but by Father only."

Matthew 24:36



ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Invocation

Selection

Scripture

Prayer

Selection

Acknowledgement of Condolences

Obituary

Remarks

Solo Sister Hayes

Eulogy..... Rev. Frank BARbee

Recessional



INTERMENT

Forest Lawn Cemetery

AUSPICES

Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home, Inc.

DON'T

MY FAMILY, DON'T SPEND TOO MUCH TIME IN MOURNING
TEARS ARE FOR THE SAD
DADDY LEFT TO BE WITH JESUS
AND FOR THIS YOU SHOULD BE GLAD.

MY CHILDREN, DON'T WASTE YOUR HOURS IN GRIEVING
NO NEED TO FEEL DISTRESS,
I'M TIRED OF THE PAIN AND MISERY
AND HAD TO GET SOME REST.

DON'T VEX YOURSELF WITH QUESTIONS
OR TRY TO REASON WHY,
LIFE HERE FOR ME HAS ENDED
IT CAME MY TIME TO DIE.

DON'T LOSE THE LOVE I GAVE YOU
FEED IT WITH YOUR CARE
GROW IT WITH LOVE AND DEVOTION
AND SPREAD IT EVERY WHERE.

MY CHILDREN, PLEASE WATCH OVER MAMMA
AND FULFILL HER EVERY NEED
AND I WILL REST MOST COMFORTABLY
AS JESUS INTERCEDES.

DON'T FRET, BECAUSE MY LEAVING
CAME IN SUCH A WAY,
WE'LL HAVE ANOTHER MEETING
IN GOD'S ETERNAL DAY!

- DADDY -

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE FAMILY OF BRO. JAMES WISHES TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR
PRAYERS, CARDS, VISITS AND EVERY ACT OF KINDNESS DURING OUR
BEREAVEMENT.

DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT THE METROPOLITAN UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH, 657 BEST FOLLOWING TODAY'S
SERVICES.

**IN LOVING MEMORY
OF
HENRY JAMES, SR.**

JUNE 22, 1916 - MAY 25, 1994



**TUESDAY, MAY 31, 1994
12:00 NOON**

**LINCOLN MEMORIAL
641 MASTEN AVENUE
BUFFALO, NEW YORK 14209**

**AUSPICES
EXODUS GARDENS
605 MASTEN AVENUE
BUFFALO, NEW YOURK 14209**

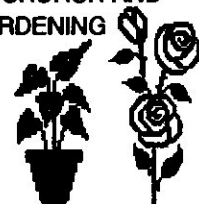
OFFICIATION, REV. VAL HOLMES

OBITUARY

HENRY JAMES, SR. WAS BORN TO THE LATE JOHN AND GRACE JAMES,
JUNE 22, 1916, IN WILLINGTON, DELAWARE.
HE DEPARTED THIS LIFE, MAY 25, 1994 AFTER A LENGTHY ILLNESS IN
SISTER'S HOSPITAL.

ON MAY 1, 1948 HE WAS JOINED IN HOLY MATRIMONY TO LEANNER
HOUGH.

HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE METROPOLITAN UM CHURCH AND
ENJOYED READING, CARPENTER WORK, GARDENING
AND PAINTING.



IN 1956 HE JOINED THE NURSING SERVICES AT THE V. A. HOSPITAL AND
RETIRED IN 1974. 1975-1990 HE WORKED FOR HOMEMAKER'S UPJOIN.
1976-1978 HE WAS THE HEALTH ATTENDANT AT THE MASTEN BOYS
BOXING CLUB WITH THE LATE ARTHUR FLETCHER.

HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY, A LOVING WIFE; LEANNER.

6 CHILDREN: 4 SONS AND 2 DAUGHTERS.

HENRY JAMES, JR. [JOANN], JOSEPH [ANNETTA], JOHN JAMES;
ALL OF BUFFALO, NEW YORK AND MARVIN JAMES [NAOMI] OF
PHIL, PA.

CAROLYN SMITH AND MELANIE JAMES OF BUFFALO, NEW YORK.
16 GRAND CHILDREN AND 11 GREAT-GRAND CHILDREN, AND A HOST OF
RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.

DADDY:

GOD SAW YOU GETTING WEARY
SO GOD DID WHAT GOD THOUGHT BEST.
GOD CAME AND STOOD BESIDE YOU
AND WHISPERED, "COME TO REST."

SOME DAY WE HOPE TO MEET YOU
SOME DAY WE KNOW NOT WHEN...
TO CLASP YOUR HAND IN BETTER LAND,
NEVER TO PART AGAIN.

SADLY SUBMITTED BY THE FAMILY

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL....."IN THE NAME OF JESUS"

SELECTION.....UNITED VOICES OF METROPOLITAN

PRAYER OF COMFORT

SCRIPTURE.....

OLD TESTAMENT
NEW TESTAMENT

SELECTION.....UNITED VOICES OF METROPOLITAN

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND OBITUARY

SOLO....."PRECIOUS LORD"

SERMON.....REV. VAL HOLMES
HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL....."COME AND GO WITH ME"

INTERMENT

FOREST LAWN

PALL BEARERS

JOSEPH JAMES, JR.
ANDRE JAMES
GREGORY SMITH

HENRY JAMES, 111
ANGELO JAMES
MARIO JAMES

HONORARY PALL BEARERS

JOSEPH JAMES SR. JOHN JAMES PATRICK PRUDE
MARVIN JAMES HENRY JAMES JR.

Pallbearers

Deacons of Gethsemane

Honorary

Mothers Board

* * *

*Many pleasant memories of the
years you were with us.
To clasp your hand, to see your happy face,
to hear your voice.
We'll miss your smiles for they meant so much to us,
For now you are with God in
joyful heaven above.*

— The Family

* * *

Acknowledgement

The Family thanks each of you for your prayers,
cards, and words of comfort in this,
their hour of loss.

New Rosen Printing

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION

*We Give Thanks For
The Life Of*

Mrs. Eva Johnson

1910 - 1991



Tuesday, June 11, 1991
1:00 p.m.

GETHSEMANE MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH
Gethsemane Square • Buffalo, New York

Rev. Herbert V. Reid, Pastor



Obituary

Mrs. Eva Johnson was called home to rest on June 6, 1991 in the Sheehan Hospital, Buffalo, New York. She was born on December 14, 1910 to Mose and Sillar Johnson in Union County, South Carolina. She was a member of the Jerusalem Baptist Church in Union County, South Carolina.

In 1928 she moved to Buffalo, New York. She attended the Friendship Baptist Church. On March 16, 1958 she joined the Gethsemane Baptist Church under the late Reverend H.B. Shaw. Reverend Shaw appointed her as a Trustee and as Treasurer of the Church. She served as Vice-President of the Senior Choir and continued to serve these offices under the leadership of Pastor, Reverend H. V. Reid. Her illness prevented her from serving as she desired. Even when she was not feeling well she would be in service. She always wanted to know what was going on in Church. She loved her pastor and her Church family and would attend Church functions when her health permitted her. She was a member of the Mother's Board.

She leaves to mourn her homegoing a devoted daughter Jessie McCain-Benson (Charles); two step-sons, George Billy Johnson (Mary), Willard Smith (Fanny) of Buffalo, New York; three sisters, Lorraine Wilburn of Charlotte, North Carolina, Ila Smith of Spartanburg, South Carolina; Effie Johnson of Spartanburg, South Carolina; three granddaughters, Jeanette Pugh, Stella Washington, and Yvonne West; two nieces, Minnie Blenman of Buffalo, New York, and Elizabeth Edrington of Spartanburg, South Carolina; one nephew, Willie Blackmon of Detroit Michigan; three guardian daughters, Doristine Blackwell, Jessie Lee Terry, and Alice Barbie of Buffalo, New York; one guardian son, Bobby Brown of Cleveland, Ohio; eight step-grandchildren; 30 great grandchildren and host of friends.

Order of Service

Processional Family

Hymn "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

Scripture

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer

Hymn "I Love The Lord He Heard My Cry"

Remarks Deacon T. Banks

Mother C. B. Taylor

Deacon L. Troublefield

Acknowledgement and

Condolences

Reading of Obituary Mrs. M. Troublefield

Solo

Hymn "Amazing Grace"

Eulogy Rev. Herbert V. Reid

Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Concordia Cemetary

In Charge

Thomas Edwards Funeral Home



- Acknowledgment -

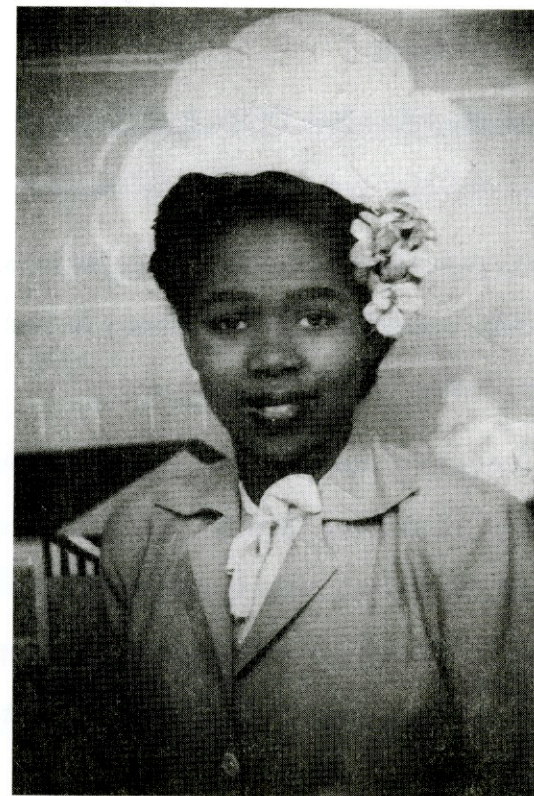
The family gratefully acknowledges the many kind and beautiful expressions of love and sympathy shown during our hour of bereavement.

Homegoing Service
for

Deloris Jones

Sunrise
July 15, 1931

Sunset
January 3, 2008



Friday, January 11, 2008
12:00 noon

THOMAS T. EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME, Inc.
995 Genesee Street
Buffalo, New York 14211

- Obituary -

Mrs. Deloris Jones was born in Buffalo, New York to Frank and Annie Mae Gill in the year of our Lord, July 15, 1931.

Deloris attended Buffalo Public School #75. After schooling she married Herbert Jones Jr. and out of this union five children were born.

Deloris attended St. Mark Church of God in Christ under the leadership of Elder James Kirkwood (deceased).

Deloris was preceded in death by Her parents Frank and Annie Mae Gill; husband, Herbert Jones Jr., and her son, Lionel (Butch) Jones.

Deloris leaves to mourn: four children: Herbert (TT), Tyrone (Chunky), Carmella (Sussie), and Almita (Sweet Pea); eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; four sisters: Louise Brewer, Marion Horton, Esther Langston and Rebecca McClain; one brother, Earl D. Gill; nieces, nephews and a host of friends

- Order of Service -

Processional
Prayer
Scripture Readings
Selection
Expression
Cards of Condolences
Message
Eulogy
Recessional

- Professional Services Entrusted To -
THOMAS T. EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME, Inc.
995 Genesee Street • Buffalo, New York 14211
(716) 894-4888

- Interment -
ST. MATTHEWS CEMETERY

Safely Home



*I am home in heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting life.*

*All the pain and grief is over;
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in heaven at last.*

*Did you wonder why I so calmly
Trod the valley of the shade?
Oh! but Jesus' love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade*

*And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still,
Try to look beyond earth's shadow,
Pray to trust our Father's will.*

*There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth,
You shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you home;
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!*

*Submitted by
The Family*

In Loving Memory

of

Mrs. Maggie Jones

1910

1988



Friday, December 23, 1988
1:00 p.m.

**Mt. Olive
Baptist Church**

629 E. Delavan Avenue

Buffalo, New York

Rev. William Gillison, Jr., Pastor
Officiating



Obituary



Mrs. Maggie Jones was born July 4, 1910 in Tabor, North Carolina. She was one of eight children born to the late Mr. and Mrs. William Jones. Maggie attended school in Edge Comb County and married the late Percy Lee Jones in 1929. From this union two daughters were born, mothered and raised two step sons from her husband's previous marriage.

Maggie moved to Buffalo in 1949 and worked at the Children's Hospital until her retirement in 1975. After retirement she faithfully worked to help others at the 1490 Senior Citizen's Center and the Y.M.C.A.

In 1949, she joined the New Hope Baptist Church under the pastorage of the late Rev. Mason and she was a faithful member for many years.

She died on December 17, 1988 from a massive heart attack, and at the time of her passing was a faithful member of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church under the pastorage of Rev. William Gillison, Jr. She faithfully served on the Missionary Board.

Maggie leaves to cherish her memory; two daughters: Mrs. Olivia Thurman and Mrs. Alma Jackson of Buffalo, New York; a stepson: James Jones of Richmond, Virginia; two sisters: Victoria Cherry of Buffalo, New York and Daisy Powell of Richmond, Virginia; one daughter-in-law: Mrs. Octavia Jones of Richmond, Virginia; two sons-in-law: Charles Thurman of Buffalo, New York and one grandson-in-law: James D. Ladd of Buffalo, New York; eight grandchildren, five great grandchildren and a host of neices and nephews and friends.

Order of Service



Processional

Invocation Rev. William Gilson

Selection Mt. Olive Baptist Choir

Scripture Reading

Old Testament Psalms 23:1-6

New Testament John 14:1-6

Expressions Missionary President,
Louise Jackson

Selections Too Close
Lord, Don't Move the Mountain
If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again

Acknowledgements and

Obituary Pamela Evans

Eulogy Rev. William Gillison Jr.

Recessional

Pall Bearers

Paul M. Johnson

Lorenzo Thurman

Charles Davis

Leonard Walker

Donald L. Simmons

William Sharp

Auspices

Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home, Inc.

Interment

Forest Lawn Cemetery

Acknowledgements

The family gratefully acknowledges the many expressions of sympathy that you have shown during this time. God bless each one of you.

- Interment -

Forest Lawn Cemetary

- Flower Bearers -

Free Spirit Joint Usher Boards

- Honorary Pallbearers -

Free Spirit Deacon and Deaconess Boards

Pallbearers

Men's Club - Moot Center

Special Thanks....

*We would like to thank everyone for their expressions of
comfort and love during our moments of sorrow.*

The Family

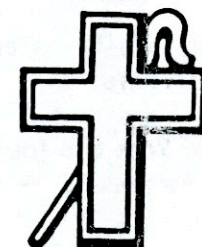
*For we know that if our earthly house
of this tabernacle were dissolved,
we have a building of God,
an house not made with hands,
eternal in the heavens.*

2 CORINTHIANS 5:1

Homegoing Service

for

Sis. Mamie Jones



Saturday, April 20, 1991

11:00 a.m.

Pastor Al B. Sutton, Jr., Officiating

Free Spirit Missionary Baptist Church

1242 Jefferson Avenue

Buffalo, New York 14206

The Obituary

On Monday, April 15, 1991 at 9:15 p.m., our dearly beloved sister departed this life.

Sis. Mamie Jones was born in Midville, Georgia. She was the second child of the late Florence and Effie Walton.

Upon arriving in Buffalo, New York she joined the First Shiloh Baptist Church under the late Reverend Elijah J. Echols, Sr., where she served for sixty-one years.

She was a charter member of the Free Spirit Baptist Church, where she faithfully served on the Pastoral Aide Society and Usher Board #2. Sis. Jones was also a loyal participant of Wednesday Evening Prayer, Bible Study and Sunday School weekly.

She leaves to mourn one loving sister, Mary Hankerson of Buffalo, New York; three nieces of Buffalo, New York; one niece of Troy, New York; four great-nieces of Troy, New York; four great-nieces of Buffalo, New York; four nephews of Buffalo, New York; one nephew of Toronto, Canada; one nephew of Atlanta Georgia; one god-child of Buffalo, New York; one god-child of Los Angeles, California; two "great friends", Deacon & Mrs. Amos Banks and many other relatives and friends.

Homegoing Service

Processional.....	"There's A Bright Crown"
Invocation.....	Reverend A. Boyd
Scripture Reading.....	Old Testament Psalms 23 John 14: 1 - 4
Prayer.....	Reverend F. Gelsay
Selection.....	"Keep Me Everyday" # 244
Remarks.....	Deacon Amos Banks Mrs. Mary Ricks-Stephens
Acknowledgements	
Resolutions.....	Pastoral Aide Society Usher Board # 2 Free Spirit Baptist Church

Obituary (read silently)

Selection.....	Mass Choir
Eulogy.....	Pastor Al B. Sutton, Jr.
Recessional.....	

Auspices - Lewis Funeral Home

IN LOVING MEMORY

OF

ARTHUR TIM KIRKWOOD

DECEMBER 27, 1957

AUGUST 17, 1992



SATURDAY, AUGUST 22, 1992

11:00 A.M.

ST. MARK

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

1221 MICHIGAN AVENUE

BUFFALO, NY 14208

SUPERINTENDENT JAMES A. KIRKWOOD, PASTOR

The family wishes to thank everyone for
their many acts of kindness shown them
during their hours of sorrow and bereavement.

Sleep on Timmy and take your rest,
We all loved you, but GOD loved you best.

FROM YOUR COUSINS

O B I T U A R Y

Arthur Tim Kirkwood was born December 27, 1957 in Buffalo, New York, to Arthur D. and Elizabeth Frances Kirkwood, both of Buffalo, New York. He departed this life on Monday, August 17, 1992 in Buffalo General Hospital at 10:45 P.M.

He attended Fosdick-Masten Vocational High School here in Buffalo, New York and graduated in 1978. He went on to further his education by attending Beauty School and upon completion he became a licensed Beautician.

He joined St. Mark C.O.G.I.C. at an early age and grew up in the church; under the leadership of Elder Leonard Harris, whom preceded him in death, then under the leadership of Superintendent James A. Kirkwood. While attending St. Mark C.O.G.I.C. he sang God's praises as a member of the Gospel Chorus and was also appointed as Associate Director.

Arthur Tim Kirkwood leaves to mourn; Father Arthur D. Kirkwood, Mother Elizabeth Frances Kirkwood, Step-Mother Susie Kirkwood, A sister Talia Foots, A brother Anthony Kirkwood, Dear Friend Mr. Charles Bagley and a host of Uncles, Aunts, Nieces, Nephews, Cousins and Friends.

I am the resurrection, and the life;
he that believeth in me, though he
were dead, yet shall he live; and
whosoever liveth and believeth in me
shall never die.

St. John 11:25,26

O R D E R O F S E R V I C E S

PROCESSIONAL . . .

PRAYER MIN. CLINTON KIRKWOOD

SCRIPTURE OLD & NEW TESTAMENT

SELECTION ST. MARK GOSPEL CHORUS

WORDS FROM FRIENDS AND FAMILY

SOLO ANNETTA ROSENTHAL

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & CONDOLENCES

SELECTION ST. MARK GOSPEL CHORUS

OBITUARY . . .

EULOGY SUPT. JAMES A. KIRKWOOD

RECESSIONAL "WE SHALL BE CHANGED"

INTERMENT:
FOREST LAWN CEMETERY

AUSPICES:
THOMAS T. EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME INC.

PALL BEARERS

ANTHONY KIRKWOOD

SAMUEL F. DIXON, SR.

LEON KIRKWOOD

FRANK KIRKWOOD, JR.

ORVILLE BAUGH

JEFFREY GARLAND

Thinking of You

This morning when I wakened
And saw the sun above,
I softly said, "Good Morning, Lord,
-Bless everyone I love!"

Right away I thought of you
And said a loving prayer
That He would bless you specially
And keep you free from care!
I thought of all the happiness
A day could hold in store;
I wished it all for you because
No one deserves it more!

I felt so warm and good inside
My heart was all aglow-
I know God heard my prayer for you
-He hears them all you know!
Just to let you know
I'm thinking of you.

Author Unknown

In Loving Memory of
Robert James Leonard Jr.
November 10, 1958 January 12, 1993



Saturday January 16, 1993
1:00 p.m.

Mount Ararat Baptist Church
971 Jefferson Avenue
Buffalo, New York

Pastor Jeffery Bowen

Obituary

Robert J. Leonard Jr. the son of Robert J. Leonard Sr. and Delores Leonard was born on November 10, 1958 in Buffalo New York. He confessed Christ and joined Saint Paul Missionary Baptist Church. Robert Leonard Jr. attended School 74,81, and Riverside High School. Robert J. Leonard Jr. was united in Holy Matrimony with Blanche M. Rowell on October 10, 1982. This union was blessed with two children. He leaves to celebrate his memory: His loving wife Blanche Leonard His two daughters: Jessika Leonard, and Vanessa Leonard. Three brothers: Kelvin(Debra) Leonard, Lloyd T. Leonard, and Dwayne (Yvonne) Leonard. Two sisters: Gloria D. Leonard and Beverly Y. Leonard. Four Nephews: Lloyd T. Leonard III, Aaron M. Leonard, Jessie Leonard, and Troy Rowell. Four Neices: Crystal Y. Leonard, Marcia S.M.Leonard, Ashley Scaife, Jennifer Rowell, Lena Rowell. In Laws to include: Sammuel and Barbara Rowell, Jeffery (Rhonda) Rowell, Proctor(Ghana) Rowell, Beverly Scaife, and Karen Rowell, and a host of Relatives and Friends. Although You are Gone ,You will never be Forgotten!

Order of Service:

Processional	
Scripture	Psalm 27
Prayer	Selection
Selection	
Acknowledgements,	
Cards and Condolences	
Obituary	Mrs. Stallings
Selection	
Eulogy	Rev. J. Bowen

Recessional

Internment
Forest Lawn Cemetary
Auspices
Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home Inc.

Acknowledgement:

The family wishes to thank everyone for their deeds rendered to them in their hour of berievement.

... After Glow ...



I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one

I'd like to leave an after glow of smiles

When life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering

Softly down the ways,

Of happy times and laughing times

And bright sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve

To dry before the sun

Of happy memories that I leave

When life is done.

... Acknowledgments ...

The family of Mattie C. Lewis humbly thanks you for your gifts of love and friendship, for your acts of kindness and sympathy. We are grateful for your remembrance during our hour of bereavement. May God continue to bless you.

CELEBRATION OF THE HOMEGOING

— of —

Mattie C. Lewis



MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1987

1:00 p.m.

**ST. PAUL'S
A. M. E. ZION CHURCH**

610 East Eagle Street

Buffalo, New York



The Reverend G.M. Tydus, Pastor



OBITUARY



Mrs. Mattie Crockett Lewis departed this life on Wednesday, April 1, 1987 in Erie County Medical Center, Buffalo, New York.

She was born in Lancaster, South Carolina to the late Dr. James and Mamie McCullough, one of four children: Susie, Emma Neal and James. She was educated through high school in Lancaster, South Carolina before moving to Detroit, Michigan where she was employed at Harper Hospital as a nurse's aid. She came to Buffalo, married the late William Crockett, and to this union were born, six children: William Melvin and John Gilbert are deceased.

In 1950 she married the late James A. Lewis, Sr. This union added another six children to the family.

She joined St. Luke A.M.E. Zion Church soon after arriving in Buffalo, New York. She later joined St. Paul's A.M.E. Zion Church where her uncle, the Reverend John Jackson, was the founding pastor. At St. Paul she was a member and past president of the Pastor's Aid Society. She participated in the total program of the church until her illness prevented her regular attendance and activity. She was a proud and loyal member, and a Christian in action.

Her neighborhood and family extended beyond the natural boundaries. People from far and near claimed her as "Headlady". She loved and was loved.

Mrs. Mattie Crockett Lewis leaves the following to mourn her passing: four children: Marjorie (John) Montague, Aubrey (Doris) Crockett, Jacqueline Thornton, Gloria Dixon; six step-children: Jeannette Williams, James (Mary) Lewis, Jr., Mattie (Albert) Thompson, Robert (Frances) Lewis, Sarah Lewis, Wardell (Viola) Lewis; a sister: Emma Neal Trapp of Detroit, Michigan; grandchildren, great grandchildren, a host of other relatives, devoted friends and neighbors.

ORDER OF WORSHIP



Prelude Organ
 "Jesus, Lover of My Soul"
 "Living for Jesus"

Processional Choir
 Spirituals

Opening Sentences

Hymn of Praise "Blessed Assurance"

Scripture Lessons:

 Old Testament Isaiah 25: 1-2
 New Testament I John 2: 28, 29, 3: 1-3

Prayer of Consolation

Selection Choir
 "Amazing Grace"

Acknowledgments

Obituary (*Read Silently*) Music

Selection Choir
 "My Hope is Built"

Eulogy* Mr. Albert J. Thompson, Jr.

Solo Mrs. Leora Davidson

Sermon Pastor Tydus
 "Life's Victories"

Recessional "When I Can Read My Title Clear"

Interment:

Forest Lawn Cemetery

Arranged by:

H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary, Inc.

968 Jefferson Avenue

Buffalo, New York 14204

*Eulogy prepared by E. Dottie Watkins, Granddaughter



Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day, our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever, and ever, Amen.

**FUNERAL SERVICES
FOR**



— *the late* —

Adam Lidge, Sr.

Friday, June 29, 1990

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home, Inc.
995 Genesee Street
Buffalo, New York 14211

OFFICIATING

Rev. Harold B. Young

Obituary

Mr. Adam Lidge, Sr., age 81 passed June 25, 1990; born in Beardan, Arkansas in 1909 to the late Carrie Sanders and Jacob Lidge.

Mr. Lidge came to Buffalo, New York in 1929. In 1930 he met and married the late Elease Griffin. To this union was born 3 sons, Adam Jr., Richard (Eva) and Charles; 4 daughters, Norma Torres (deceased) (Pacheco), Elizabeth Burgos (Carlos), Marlene Boyd (Willie) and Donna Smith (Visol).

Mr. Lidge is survived by 24 grand children; 28 great grand children; 3 great-great grandchildren, and a host of other relatives and many friends.

Mr. Lidge attended Buffalo Technical High School, studying Auto Mechanics, after which he opened an auto shop in 1941 on Mortimer Street, later moving to Jefferson Avenue where he acquired the first black owned muffler franchise in the city, where he operated his business until his retirement. Mr. Lidge was a life long active member of the Y.M.C.A., an avid tennis player and instructor, winning many awards. Mr. Lidge won Gold and Silver metals in the New York Senior Citizens Olympics for 4 consecutive years.

*When God at first made man,
Having a glass of blessings standing by,
"Let us," said He, "pour on him all we can.
Let the world's riches, which dispersed lie,
Contract into a span."*

*So strength first made a way;
Then beauty flowed, then wisdom, honor, pleasure.
When almost all was out, God made a stay,
Perceiving that, alone of all His treasure,
Rest in the bottom lay.*

*"For if I should," said He,
"Bestow this jewel also on My creature,
He would adore My gifts instead of Me
And rest in nature, not the God of nature;
So both should losers be.*

*"Yet let him keep the rest,
But keep them with repining restlessness.
Let him be rich and weary, that at last,
If goodness lead him not, yet weariness
may toss him to My breast."*

— George Herbert



It Hurts

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*When death takes a "special person"
It hurts. But it hurts a little less with time.
And still less with more time ...*

*One morning you will wake up
And your loss will not be the first thing you think about.
And then you will know that it's
Just a little better than it was in the beginning ...*



Acknowledgements

The family acknowledges with deep appreciation every act of love and kindness shown to us during the illness of our loved one and through this hour of bereavement.

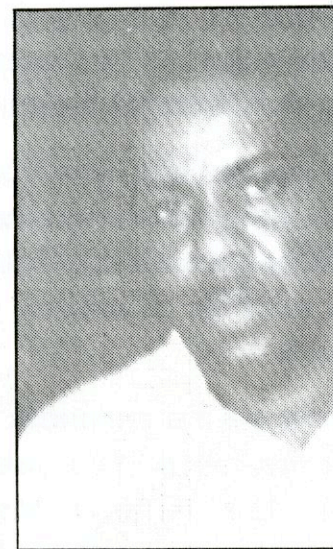
We request your continued prayers.

In Loving Memory
of

Odell Little

1928³

1991



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1991
11:00 A.M.

Thomas T. Edwards
Funeral Home, Inc.

995 Genesee Street
Buffalo, New York 14211



Obituary



Odell Little, dear son of the late Alexander and Verna Little, passed away suddenly on Tuesday, December 10, 1991, after a short illness.

Odell was born on January 25, 1923, in Abberville, South Carolina. He accepted Christ at an early age, in Abberville, South Carolina.

Odell Little made Buffalo, New York his home in 1940. He was employed at American Standard for 29 years until the plant closed. He then worked at R.P. Adams until his retirement. He was the President of Local 1199.

He leaves to cherish his memories his devoted friend: Thelma Ferguson; two sisters: Hester (James) Carter, Lila (Grady) Martin; three brothers: Larry, Eddie (Beatrice) and Otis (Hazel) Little, all of Buffalo, New York, also a host of nephews, nieces, and friends.



*The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away.
Blessed be the name of the Lord.*

Order of Service



Processional

Reading of Scriptures

Solo

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Prayer

Hymn

Eulogy

Recessional

Uffbearers

James Carter
Sam Carter

Fletcher Cotton
Robert Butcher

Auspices

Thomas T. Edwards Funeral Home, Inc.

Interment

Concordia Cemetery

... **Rejoice!** ...

*Earth's ties, though dear,
Can't stay the onward flight;
Faith's wings uphold
And guide the traveler home;
In Spirit's cloak,
With strength found in Christ's light,
Ben stands before God's throne.*

Rejoice!

From His Devoted Family

(written by Doris Givens)



Arrangements:

H. Alfred Lewis Mortuary, Inc.

968 Jefferson Avenue

Buffalo, New York

Interment:

Acacia Park & Resthaven Cemeteries

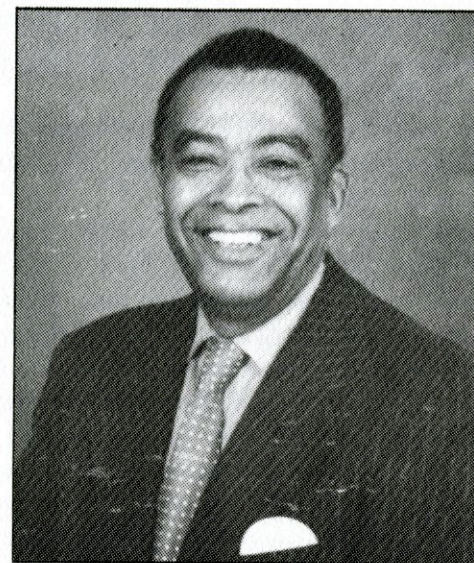
IN MEMORY

— of the late —

Benjamin Franklin Long

March 27, 1917

January 11, 1987



THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1987

1:00 p.m.

**LINCOLN MEMORIAL UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**

641 Masten Avenue

Buffalo, New York



Pastor Melba Varner Chaney

OBITUARY



Benjamin Franklin Long, son of the late Frank and Mary Long, was born in Talladega County, Alabama, the sixth of seven children. He attended Talladega College and West Virginia State Institute.

While attending college, he obtained his pilot's license and was inducted into the United States Army. He served overseas during World War II. While recovering from a war injury, he studied at the University of Florence in Italy.

He returned to the states and married the former Virginia Hickerson on April 6, 1946. They made Buffalo their home, shortly thereafter.

Benjamin and Virginia became the foster parents of Mary Green Carter. Thereafter, their union produced two children: Charles Benjamin and Debra Lynn.

Benjamin's service to the United States government did not end with his discharge from the Army. He held employment with the Veteran's Administration, the Internal Revenue Service, and he became the first Black inspector for the United States Customs. Before his retirement from Customs in 1983, he held the position of supervisor and also served as the Equal Employment Opportunity Officer.

Benjamin Long is survived by his devoted wife: Virginia; his son: Charles of Columbia, Maryland; a daughter: Debra Long-Doyle of Washington, D.C.; a foster daughter: Mary Carter of Buffalo; a sister: Bessie Smith of Buffalo, New York; two sisters-in-law: Laura of Buffalo and Helen of Cleveland, Ohio; a granddaughter: Michaela M. Doyle; foster grandchildren: Terence, Daryl and Dawn Carter; a son-in-law: Robert W. Doyle, Jr., many nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE



Procession of the Family Organ Prelude
Mrs. Zelmer Gary

Hymn Abide With Me (p.289)

Prayer of Hope Reverend Robert O. Bailey
Agape A.M.E. Church

Old Testament Scripture II Sam. 12: 15 -23
Reverend Gerald Hesson

"Ben Long", My Father Debra Long-Doyle

"Ben Long", My Friend Milton McClellan

New Testament Scripture Rev. Gerald Hesson
John 14: 1-11

Eulogy and Meditation Melba Varner Chaney
Pastor

Solo Robbie Wildman
"How Great Thou Art"

Recession of the Family

... Pall Bearers ...

Active

John Gary Jackson

Jackie Evans

Derrick Powell

James H. Lyons, Jr.

Bennie Scruggs

Monroe Williams

... Honorary ...

Honor Guard of United States Customs

PALL BEARERS

Active

Johnny Smith
Solomon Thomas
Edward Dirton

Ernie Hanks
Cornell Hill
Dr. Wayman McCoy

Honorary

Willie Shingles
Benjamin Arnold
Harold Martin
Leonard Davis

— ACKNOWLEDGEMENT —

Maybe you sang a lovely song,
Maybe you sent beautiful flowers,
Maybe you sent telegrams or cards,
Maybe you rendered a service unseen,
Near at hand, or from afar,
Whatever you did to comfort the hearts,
We thank you so much,
Whatever the part.

— THE FAMILY

In Memory

— Of The Late —

1918

1981



Mrs. Evelyn S. Long

Wednesday, July 15, 1981

11 A.M.

— At The —

LINCOLN MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York

Obituary

Evelyn Stewart Long, the second daughter of the late Ashby Stewart and Daisie Snead Stewart, was born in Greenville, South Carolina, April 5, 1918.

She attended Sterling High School and received her high school diploma from Barber-Scotia College, in Concord, North Carolina. She earned her B.A. Degree at Bennett College, in Greensboro, North Carolina, and received her Masters Degree from State Teachers College, at Buffalo. She was on the teaching staff of Greenville, S. C. City Schools for five years.

On April 13, 1942, she was married to Claude Long, of Talladega, Alabama, after which they moved to Buffalo.

Evelyn Long, was a teacher in the Buffalo Public Schools for twenty years, and retired in 1977, because of illness.

Each member of our families feel the change since you left us, But we shall in God's tomorrow, remember you with love. We feel that you were a smile that God shared with us. We always thank God for the kindness, thoughtfulness and sincerity that made you so many friends. Those qualities have engraved memories that will last throughout all of God's tomorrow's.

Mrs. Long is survived by her husband, Claude Long; a sister, Elizabeth S. Cureton; an aunt, Beatrice Whitcher, of Greenville, S. C.; an uncle, Douglas Stewart, of Detroit, Mich.; two nephews: William and Ansel Cureton, Jr.; eleven cousins: Mrs. Carl Snead, Mrs. Beatrice S. Tucker, and Mr. Clarence Snead, all of Los Angeles, California; Mrs. Eugenia Spicer, of Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Dorothy G. Smith, of Toledo, Ohio; Mrs. Sylvia G. James, of Gary, Indiana; Mrs. Jenny Hobbs, of Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. Bertrum Snead, of Philadelphia; Mr. Edwin Snead, of Chicago, Ill.; Miss Clara F. Greer, of Asheville, N. C.; and Mrs. Alma Grier, of Greenville, S. C.

Order Of Service

Presiding - Rev. William H. Horner

Processional Mrs. Joyce Petties
 Hymn "Jesus Keep Me Near The Cross"
 Scripture Rev. William H. Horner
 Prayer Pastor Robert Wilson, Jr.
 Remarks
 Former Principal Ms. Flora Donohue
 Buffalo Board of Education
 Poem Ansel Cureton, Jr.
 Solo Mrs. Lauretta Anderson
 "I've Done My Work"
 Eulogy Rev. William H. Horner
 Hymn "Come Ye Disconsolate"
 Benediction
 Recessional

BUFFALO MEMORIAL CHAPEL
 66 E. Utica St.
 Buffalo, N. Y.
 Mortician In Charge

Entombment - Forest Lawn Mausoleum

HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS (Nieces)

Darcell Hill
Monique Lott
Sherry Moore
Carolyn G. Strickland

HONORARY PALL BEARERS (Nephews)

Kevin Bass
Harris M. Ginyard, Jr.
Damon Kimbrough
Darryl Hill
David Hill
Michael Hill

If we put our problems in God's hand,
There is nothing we need understand....
It is enough to just believe
That what we need we will receive.

Life is a mixture of sunshine and rain,
Teardrops and laughter, pleasure and pain....
We can't have all bright days,
but it's certainly true
There was never a cloud
that the sun didn't shine through

There is no joy that can ever compare
With the joy of knowing you're in God's care.

from the writings of

Helen Steiner Rice

HOME GOING

for

WALTER WILLIAM LOVE



THOMAS EDWARDS FUNERAL HOME, INC.

MARCH 26, 1994 at 11:00 A.M.

REV. MICHAEL CHAPMAN, OFFICIATING

OBITUARY

WALTER WILLIAM LOVE was born June 20, 1925 in Winston-Salem, NC to the late Celestine and Archie Love, Sr. He departed this life on Tuesday, March 22, 1994 at the Veteran's Hospital after an extended period of illness.

Walter attended the local public schools and graduated from Atkins High School in Winston-Salem, NC. Upon graduation, he relocated to Buffalo, NY. He served in the United States Army having fought in the Korean War. Walter was a welder by trade and was last employed by Fedders Air Conditioning Co. until his health began failing. He was baptized at an early age and is of the Baptist Faith.

Walter is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Delores Hill Love, of the home; son, Oliver D. Redd (Judy) of Winston-Salem, NC; sister, M. Beatrease Bass (General) of Williamsville, NY; brother, Archie Love, Jr. of MountainView CA; mother-in-law, Corene Hill of the city; sisters-in-law, Doris Kimbrough of the city and Thelma Moore (Frank) of Dearborn, MI; brothers-in-law, Brady Hill, Jr. of the city, Willard Hill of White Plains, NY and Irving Gilliam of Winston-Salem, NC; 2 grandchildren, several nieces and nephews, cousins and devoted friends. Aside from his parents, a sister, Effie L. Gilliam and a niece, Doris Ginyard, preceded him in death.



ORDER of SERVICE

Processional

FAMILY HOUR

Selection.....Juanita Hill

Scriptures

Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer

Selection.....Henry Nance
"One Day At A Time"

Obituary.....Read Silently

Eulogy

Recessional

Interment.....Forest Lawn Cemetery

—ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS—

The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation for your kindness shown during Walter's illness and our bereavement.